


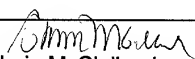
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	Title	INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM AND RECORDING MEDIUM
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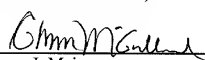
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- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number, filed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number, filed, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**.

☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
JAPAN	2000-077628	March 21, 2000

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